

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of)
MORIWAKI et al.)
Application Number: To Be Assigned)
Filed: Concurrently Herewith)
For: PACKET SWITCHING APPARATUS, METHOD)
OF TRANSMITTING MULTICAST PACKET)
AT PACKET SWITCHING APPARATUS, AND)
SETUP METHOD OF PACKET SWITCHING)
APPARATUS)

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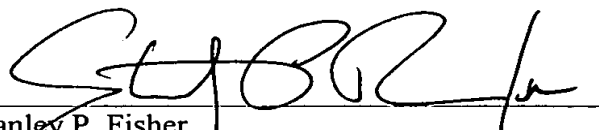
**NOTICE OF PRIORITY
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119
AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority date of July 2, 2001, the filing date of the corresponding Japanese patent application 2001-200303.

The certified copy of corresponding Japanese patent application 2001-200303 will be submitted when received from applicant.. Acknowledgment of receipt of the certified copy is respectfully requested in due course.

Respectfully submitted,


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